

Everblue Training Institute

Course Description for: BPI Building Analyst/Energy Auditor Training

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Target Audience: Weatherization Professionals, HVAC Professionals, Insulation Professionals, HERS Raters, Home Inspectors, General Contractors, Home Builders, Engineers, Architects

Course Objectives:

- Understand the principles of energy transfer
- Know the basic energy systems that impact a home’s energy consumption
- Identify common construction errors that reduce efficiency, air quality, and comfort
- Conduct an energy audit
- Analyze problems and propose solutions and/or weatherization techniques

Pricing Recommendation: \$1595.00 (includes course materials, classroom and field training, written and field exams)

Length of Course: 5 days.

Syllabus:

Day 1—Classroom training from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm.

Days 2-3—Classroom training from 9:00 am to noon and field training from 1:00-5:00 pm.

Day 4 morning—Review 8:00-10:00am, Written Exam 10:00am -12:00pm.

Day 4 afternoon and day 5—Individual field exam time slots Day 4 afternoon, all day on Day 5.

	DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3	DAY 4	DAY 5
MORNING	Classroom Training	Classroom Training	Classroom Training	Review	Field Exam #4
				Written Test	Field Exam #5
	Lunch Break	Lunch Break	Lunch Break	Lunch Break	Lunch Break
AFTERNOON	Classroom Training	Field Training	Field Training	Field Exam #1	Field Exam #6
				Field Exam #2	Field Exam #7
				Field Exam #3	Field Exam #8

Section 1: Introduction

- Overview of the Building Performance Institute
- Test Format & Exam Interface

Section 2: Principles of Energy

Section 3: The Home as a System

Section 4: Building Systems

Section 5: Common Construction Errors

- Air Quality
- Moisture
- Combustion Safety
- Air Leakage

Section 6: Energy Audit Procedures

Section 7: Diagnosis of Problems, Proposed Solutions

Section 8: BPI Standards

Section 9: Professional Ethics, Conduct, and Communications

Field Training:

- Energy Audit-Inspection and Analysis
- Blower door analysis—Pressure testing
- Manometer use and application
- Air Quality testing (Ambient Carbon Monoxide, Natural gas, Flue gas detectors)